



# ISSDA

## Irish Social Science Data Archive

### Data Theme: HEALTH

Ireland's centre for quantitative data acquisition, preservation, and dissemination.

Established in 2000, ISSDA's mission is to ensure wide access to quantitative datasets in the social sciences, and to advance the promotion of international comparative studies of the Irish economy and Irish society. To this end it acquires data from academic, research bodies and public sector sources, supporting:

- Secondary use and analysis for research
- Teaching and learning use
- Replication and validation of research
- Archival preservation

At the broadest level, ISSDA collects anonymised microdata, i.e. data that arises from surveys or administrative records relating to individuals or groups of individuals that have been cleansed of personal identifiers or other information that may enable identification of individuals represented in a dataset. Datasets collected by ISSDA generally have an Irish geographic coverage.

#### Access a Variety of Health Datasets

While based in UCD and managed by UCD Library, ISSDA is a national service that provides access to a wide range of data. Information about the data is available from [www.ucd.ie/issda](http://www.ucd.ie/issda).

Principal health datasets are described to the right, with additional datasets that include health data listed overleaf.



#### Growing up in Ireland (GUI)

[www.ucd.ie/issda/gui](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/gui)

Growing Up in Ireland is the national longitudinal study of children. The study explores factors impacting on the child's physical health and development. Questions focused on the current and past health of the child, including prenatal care and details of the birth, the child's use of health services as well as the child's emotional health and wellbeing.



#### Healthy Ireland

[www.ucd.ie/issda/healthyireland/](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/healthyireland/)

Healthy Ireland Survey provides current and credible data about the wide variety of factors which determine health and wellbeing in the population aged 15 years and older. The topics covered include general health, health service utilisation and key lifestyle factors, such as smoking, alcohol consumption, physical activity, diet, sexual health and wellbeing to monitor the key trends and policy impacts in those areas.



## All Ireland Traveller Health Study (AITHS)

[www.ucd.ie/issda/aiths](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/aiths)

The All Ireland Traveller Health Study (AITHS) is the first study of Traveller health status and health needs that involves all Travellers living on the island of Ireland, North and South. The study aimed to document and to determine the factors influencing the health status of Travellers and their access to social and health services currently available/utilised by Travellers on the island of Ireland.

## National Psychological Wellbeing and Distress Survey (NPWDS)

[www.ucd.ie/issda/npwds](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/npwds)

This nationally representative survey was designed to measure the extent of psychological distress and self-reported mental health problems in the Irish population, and to determine the socio-demographic characteristics of the Irish adult population who were experiencing symptoms of psychological distress or who had reported mental health problems in the previous year.

## Survey on Lifestyle and Attitude to Nutrition (SLÁN)

[www.ucd.ie/issda/slan](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/slan)

Healthy Ireland is the successor to the Survey on Lifestyle and Attitude to Nutrition (SLÁN). These data are also available through ISSDA.

## The Irish Longitudinal study on Ageing (TILDA)

[www.ucd.ie/issda/tilda/](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/tilda/)

TILDA is a large-scale, nationally representative, longitudinal study on ageing in Ireland. Information is collected on all aspects of health, including physical, mental health and cognitive measures, from people aged 50 and over in a series of data collection waves once every two years.

## Other datasets with health related variables from ISSDA include:

The Children's Sport Participation and Physical Activity Study (CSPPA)

[www.ucd.ie/issda/csppa/](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/csppa/)

CoHeart

[www.ucd.ie/issda/coheart/](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/coheart/)

Eurostudent Survey

[www.ucd.ie/issda/eurostudent/](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/eurostudent/)

Insight 07

[www.ucd.ie/issda/insight07/](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/insight07/)

Irish Study of Sexual Health and Relationships (ISSHR)

[www.ucd.ie/issda/isshr/](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/isshr/)

Irish National Time Use Survey

[www.ucd.ie/issda/timeuse](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/timeuse)

Irish Contraception and Crisis Pregnancy (ICCP) Study

[www.ucd.ie/issda/iccp/](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/iccp/)

Living in Ireland Survey

[www.ucd.ie/issda/livinginireland/](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/livinginireland/)

Quarterly National Household Survey (QNHS)

[www.ucd.ie/issda/qnhs/](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/qnhs/)

School Leavers Survey

[www.ucd.ie/issda/schoolleavers/](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/schoolleavers/)

Secondary Prevention of Heart Disease in General Practice (SPHERE)

[www.ucd.ie/issda/sphere/](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/sphere/)

Survey of Income and Living Conditions (EU-SILC)

[www.ucd.ie/issda/eu-silc/](http://www.ucd.ie/issda/eu-silc/)



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